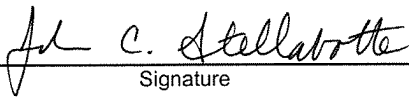


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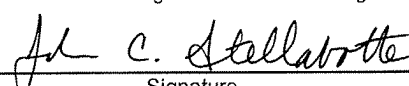
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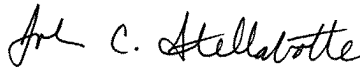
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Appellant filed his notice of appeal on October 18, 2006. The shortened statutory period for filing the appeal brief expired on December 18, 2007. Applicant therefore requests a four (4)-month extension of time, extending the time for filing an appeal brief from December 18, 2007 to April 18, 2007. An Appeal Brief accompanies this Petition.

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